

Quotation Request //

US Government Publishing Office

Agency Publishing Services
732 North Capitol Street, NW
Washington DC 20401-0001

JACKET:424-290

Quotations are Due By:

(Eastern Time)10:00 AM on 02/28/2023

Submit Quotes Online, unless otherwise instructed, via: <http://contractorconnection.gpo.gov/openjobs.aspx>

Contractor must provide mandatory W-9 form before GPO makes payment.

TITLE: Soils Poster

QUANTITY: 3250 Posters.

SUBMISSION OF QUOTES: Vendor to submit quotes via Quick Quote

(<https://contractorconnection.gpo.gov/OpenJobs>). Late quotes will not be accepted. All problems submitting quotes via Quick Quote must be reported prior to bid opening time to APS DC Team on 202-512-0743.

TRIM SIZE: 24" X 36"

PAGES: Face only

SCHEDULE:

Furnished Material will be available for pickup by 03/02/2023

Deliver complete (to arrive at destination) by 03/22/2023

F.O.B. destination

QUALITY LEVEL: 3 Quality Assurance Through Attributes (GPO PUB 310.1, effective May 1979 (Rev. 9-19)) applies.

DESCRIPTION:

DIGITAL PRINTING IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

PRINTING: Print face only, contains type/rule matter, illustrations, and heavy coverage in 4-Color Process with some type reversing out to appear white; full bleeds. After printing, apply a Gloss varnish coating over the entire face surface to prevent scratching and smearing.

MATERIAL FURNISHED: Contractor to receive. Via email after award.

One (1) Purchase Order.

One (1) PDF file for production.

GPO Form 892c (R.12/17) Proofs

GPO Form 917 (Certificate of Selection).

GPO Form 2678 (departmental random copies-blue label)

Contractor can download the "Labeling and Marking Specifications" form (GPO Form 905, R. 7-15) from gpo.gov, fill in appropriate blanks, and attach to shipping containers.

Prior to image processing, the contractor is responsible for performing a basic check (preflight) of the furnished publishing files to assure accurate output of the required reproduction image. Any errors, media damage or data corruption that might interfere with proper file imaging must be reported to the contract administrator in sufficient time to comply with the shipping schedule.

In addition, the contractor is responsible for creating or altering any necessary trapping, setting proper screen angles and screen frequency, and defining file output selection for the imaging device being utilized. All furnished files must be imaged as necessary to meet assigned quality level.

PAPER: * Must be in accordance with JCP Paper Specification Standards in effect on date of this order
JCP Code* L11, No. 1 Gloss-Coated Cover, White, Basis Size 20 X 26" Basis Weight 80lb

COLOR OF INK:

4-Color Process plus Gloss Varnish Coating

PRINT PAGE: See Above

MARGINS:

Full Bleeds

Follow electronic file.

PROOFS:

E-MAIL PROOFS (indicate margins): CONTRACTOR MUST NOT PRINT PRIOR TO RECEIVING AN "OK TO PRINT". One set of E-Mailed Electronic Page Proofs. Contractor to submit one Press Quality PDF soft proof (for content only) using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the final printed product. PDF proof will be evaluated for text flow, image position, and color breaks. Proof will not be used for color match.

E-Mailed proofs (marked with Jacket/Req. Number plus return name and E-Mail address) directly to the Agency at ray.lawrence@usda.gov, karen.lewis@usda.gov and cduncan@gpo.gov. Contractor must call GPO Contract Compliance Section at (202) 512-0520 immediately upon E-Mailing proofs and immediately upon receiving the returned proofs (or OK E-Mail) back from the Department. Proofs will be withheld not more than (3) workday from receipt at the Department to receipt in the contractor's plant.

-AFTER PDF APPROVAL-

Two (2) sets of inkjet proofs for each item that are G7 profiled and use pigment-based inks. A proofing RIP that provides an option for high quality color matching (such as Device Links Technology and/or ICC Profiles Technology) and meets or exceeds industry tolerance to ISO 12647-7 Standard for Graphic Technology (as of 3/19/09, and future amendments) must be utilized plus GRACoL 2006 Coated #1 specifications (CGATS TR006) must be achieved. Output must be a minimum of 720 x 720 dpi on a GRACoL or SWOP certified proofing media. Proofs must contain the following color control strip to be evaluated for accuracy: IDEAlliance ISO 12647-7 Control Strip 2009 or 2013(i1).

Proofs must contain color control bars (such as Brunner, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press's ink rollers and must show areas consisting of minimum 1/8 x 1/8 solid color patches; tint patches of 25, 50 and 75%; dot gain scale; and gray balance patches for process color (if applicable). These areas must be repeated consecutively across the sheet.

The make and model number of the proofing system utilized shall be furnished with the proofs. These proofs must contain all elements, be in press configuration, and indicate margins. Proofs will be used for color match on press. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum of 2400 x 2400 dpi.

Send proofs together with the furnished media (copy, electronic files) directly to: USDA/Attn: Ray

Lawrence and Joe Bruce, 201 14th Street, SW, 4th floor, Suite 4SE, Washington, DC 20250, 301-606-3035. Contractor must call GPO Contract Compliance Section at 202-512-0520, or e-mail information to compliance@gpo.gov immediately upon sending/delivering proofs and immediately upon notification that the proofs are available for pickup at the department. Proofs will be withheld not more than (3) workdays from receipt in the department to when they are made available for pickup at the department. **CONTRACTOR MUST NOT PRINT PRIOR TO RECEIVING AN "OK TO PRINT".**

All Proofs shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

BINDING:

Trim 4 sides.

PACKING:

Kraft wrap in units of 25 with chipboard backing.

Pack suitably per carton and shipping container to ensure posters are not damaged during shipment.

NOTE: MARK ALL CARTONS WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

REQ No.: 23-01133

JACKET No.: 424-290

TITLE: Soils Poster

ITEM No.:

QUANTITY:

NUMBER of Boxes: EX. Box 1 of 4, 2 of 4...

DISTRIBUTION:

Contractor must notify the ordering agency on the same day that the product ships/delivers via e-mail sent to karen.lewis@usda.gov and cduncan@gpo.gov. The subject line of this message shall be "Distribution Notice for Req 23-01133, Jacket 424-290. The notice must provide all applicable tracking numbers, shipping method, and Title. Contractor must be able to provide copies of all delivery, mailing, and shipping receipts upon agency request.

Deliver 3,250 copies via traceable means to approx. 7 different domestic locations (see attached). 80 Departmental Random "Blue Label" Copies to be included in the delivery going to USDA Forest Service - Eastern Regional Office, 626 E Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53202, Attn: Attn: Robin Brandt, 414-297-3770.

Note: For the "Blue Label" Copies -- A copy of the Government furnished certificate (GPO Form 917) must accompany the voucher sent to GPO, Financial Management Service, for payment. Failure to furnish the certificate may result in delay in processing the voucher. NOTE: Form is also available at <https://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/Form917.pdf>

All expenses incidental to returning materials, submitting proofs, and furnishing samples must be borne by the contractor.

QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS: The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASQC Z1.4):

(a) Non-destructive Tests -- General Inspection Level I.

(b) Destructive Tests -- Special Inspection Level S-2.

ATTRIBUTE

P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity

P-10. Process Color Match

SPECIFIED STANDARD

Approved Proofs/Furnished Electronic File

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PREAWARD SURVEY: In order to determine the responsibility of the prime contractor or any subcontractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site pre-award survey at the contractor's/subcontractor's facility or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract. As part of the financial determination, the contractor in line for award may be required to provide one or more of the following financial documents:

- 1) Most recent profit and loss statement
- 2) Most recent balance sheets
- 3) Statement of cash flows
- 4) Current official bank statement
- 5) Current lines of credit (with amounts available)
- 6) Letter of commitment from paper supplier(s)
- 7) Letter of commitment from any subcontractor

The documents will be reviewed to validate that adequate financial resources are available to perform the contract requirements. Documents submitted will be kept confidential and used only for the determination of responsibility by the Government. Failure to provide the requested information in the time specified by the Government may result in the Contracting Officer not having adequate information to reach an affirmative determination of responsibility.

PAYMENT: Submitting invoices for payment via the GPO fax gateway (if no samples are required) utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application is the most efficient method of invoicing. Instruction for using this method can be found at the following web address:
<http://winapps.access.gpo.gov/fms/vouchers/barcode/instructions.html>.

Invoices may also be mailed to the U.S. Government Publishing Office, Office of Financial Management, Attn: Comptroller, Stop: FMCE, Washington, DC 20401.

For more information about the billing process refer to the General Information of the Office of Finance web page located at <https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid>.

Attachment(s): Attachment(s) is/are part of the specification, click 'Download Attachment(s)' link below to view and print the attachments that are part of these specifications.

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